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Planning Panels - Northern Beaches

**Subject:** Application DA2024/0091 URGENT FLOOD RISK (!)

**Date:** Monday, 17 June 2024 12:23:06 PM

Dear Planning Panel,

We have very recently been made aware of a development application for 45 Boyle Street, Balgowlah, which we strongly believe increases the risk of our property being flooded. We were not made aware of the original DA public display period, however the likely adverse impact of the above floor inundation, is far too great for us not to raise and we would like our concerns to be taken into serious consideration by the panel. I believe the NBLPP is due to take place on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

Unfortunately, we endured severe flooding two weeks ago on the 1st June 2024 (photos attached), at our property 4 Cormack Street, Balgowlah. This was really stressful and something we want to avoid happening again. It was extremely close to entering the inside of our property, which led to us moving all of our furniture upstairs. We were extremely lucky and managed to obtain a petrol water pump via the SES, which we had to turn on to use every hour from 10pm until 5am.

With the extensive rainfall from higher roads/properties making its way onto our property, our drainage could not withstand the sheer volume. Since then, we have put precautionary measures in place but cannot (if avoided) handle additional storm water on our property.

We believe the plans to have the storm water dispersing through the back of 45 Boyle Street, will have adverse impacts on our property (4 Cormack St, via 2 Cormack St). 45 Boyle Street has direct overlap with the border of properties on Cormack Street and these plans would put our plot at even higher risk of flooding. We would really appreciate that the plans be reconsidered and propose the drainage should release storm water onto the street via Boyle street, **not** via the bottom of the garden onto Cormack Street.

We advise a flood study take place to justify easement flow and overland flow management at the DA site.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best,





